Success of Structural Reforms

2750. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the structural reforms have been successful in solving the problem of regional imbalances;

(b) if so, in what manner;

(c) whether Government proposes to constitute a Backward Area Commission for each State; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) and (b) The impact of structural reforms on regional imbalance is difficult to assess. However, the performance of different states in terms of the rates of growth in net state domestic product during the period prior to initiation of reforms in 1991 and the post-reform period are given in the statement. (*See* below).

(c) and (d) No, Sir. There is no proposal to constitute Backward Area Commissions for each State. Planning and development of an area and allocation of funds for the purpose is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Government. Planning Commission have not identified any area as backward per se. However, Central Government supplements the efforts of the State Government in the development of backward regions through appropriate weightage for backwardness in the fomula used for distribution of Normal Central Assistance. Further, Special Central Assistance is allocated for Special Area Programmes such as. Border Area Development Programme, Hill Area Development Programme, Tribal Sub-Plan, North-Eastern Council etc.

Statement

State	*Growth Rate in Net State Domestic Product 1980-81 Prices*	
	Pre Reform (1984-85 to 1990-91)	Post Reform (1990-91 to 1996-97)
1. Andhra Pradesh	5.28	7.70
2. Arunachal Pradesh	9.17	6.74
3. Assam	3.37	3.07
4. Bihar	3.97	0.69
5. Goa	8.26	6.15
6. Gujarat	4.30	7.67
7. Haryana	8.30	4.53
8. Karnataka	4.44	5.99
9. Kerala	4.93	5.61
10. Madhya Pradesh	6.73	3.74
11. Maharashtra	7.80	7.73
12. Meghalaya	6.82	3.88
13. Orissa	2.71	4.28
14. Punjab	5.31	4.81
15. Rajasthan	8.45	4.60

Growth Rate in Net State Domestic Product 1980-81 Prices

State	Pre Reform (1984-85 to 1990-91)	Post Reform (1990-91 to 1996-97)
16. Tamil Nadu	5.46	5.58
17. Tripura	7.67	7.48
18. Uttar Pradesh	5.70	2.74
19. West Bengal	4.43	6.83
All India (NDP at factor cost)	5.88	5.58

Annual Growth in GDP

2751. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the annual growth in GDP during last five years;

(b) whether the economy has slowed down during 1998-99;

(c) if so, details of the factors responsible for this decline; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to put the economy on a higher growth plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY 'OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) The annual growth in GDP during the last five years are given below.

Sl. No.	Year	Rate of Growth (%)
1.	1994-95	7.8
2.	1995-96	7.6
3.	1996-97@	7.8
4.	1997-98*	5.0
5.	1998-99**	5.8

NOTE: @ Provisional Estimate
* Quick Estimate
** Advance Estimate

(b) and (c) The growth rate in 1998-99 has improved to 5.8 per cent as compared to the growth rate of 5.0 per cent in 1997-98.

(d) The realisation of the growth rates depend on the level of investment and incremental capital-output ratios (ICOR), which is a measure of the efficiency of capital use. Due attention is paid to raise the level of investment and improve the efficiency of utilisation of investment, particularly in those sectors where the actual growth rates are below the Ninth Plan target.

Plan Outlays for States

2752. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether plan outlays for Annual Plan of States has been finalised for the year 1999-2000;

(b) if so, the details thereof, state wise; including increase in the plan outlays of every state;

(c) whether plan outlays of any state has been decreased from last year; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME